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TITLE: METHOD FOR PRODUCING LETTER ENVELOPES FROM A

MOVING WEB OF MATERIAL

## RESPONSE TO SECOND NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

ATTN: BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 17, 2002, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following Remarks:

## REMARKS

The claims are 1-2. Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. \$103(a) as being unpatentable over Fowler et al. U.S. Patent No. 5,795,280 in view of Stitcher U.S. Patent No. 4,726,804.

Claim 2 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. \$103(a) as being unpatentable over Fowler et al. in view of Ruthenberg et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,059,705.